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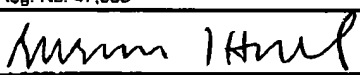
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RESPONSE (AFTER FINAL UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116)

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action of June 26, 2002 ("Office Action") in the above-identified patent application, please enter the following amendments for the purpose of putting the application in condition for allowance, or alternatively, to narrow the issues for appeal. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

A Notice of Appeal for this case was filed on December 19, 2002. Accordingly this response is timely filed.

AMENDMENTS IN THE CLAIMS

Please CANCEL claims 4-38.

Please AMEND claims 1, 39, 42, 45, and ADD new claims 48-52 as follows.

1. (Amended) An isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising a sequence that has at least